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THE WISE SAYING OF THE EDITOR AFTER THE ELECTION HAD PASSED.

"I TOLD YOU SO."

Governor Watson Constant in Refusing to Defeat Addicks.

FTER-election views are often different from those given before the battle of the ballots. The following clippings have been made for the benefit of the TRANSCRIPT readers: (From the "Sussex Republican," Georgetown.) "The election is over, and the Republican party of the State of Delaware is to be congratulated upon the result. Addicksism is defeated and the men who are willing to lay aside everything at the dictation of one man have learned that one thousand Republicans in Sussex county stand together for party principles first, last and all the time. It has been a healthy campaign, because independent voting has been the rule and one more step taken toward the elimination of bitter partisan feeling. The election has been marred and the county disgraced by rioting instigated by certain men of more ardor than judgment. The proper officials will be remiss in their duty if the offenders are not properly punished and such disgraceful scenes stopped once and for all the time. The power entrusted to the Republican party should be received and guarded as a trust from a people demanding good government. Party warfare must not be considered in the performance of this most sacred trust. Personal aggrandizement must be lost sight of in the effort to secure the greatest good to the greatest number. The Republican party must build upon the confidence of the people. "Worthy followers of unworthy leaders must remember that their defeat is caused by no personal animosity toward them, but by a blow aimed at the corrupt methods they have foolishly tried to foist upon the people. "Republicans who have stood firm for State and party honor need no plaudits, theirs is a satisfaction which arises only from the consciousness of a right act well done. "Dagoberto hundred, famous for squabbles around their polling place, held no election on Tuesday, for the reason that the leaders of the Union Republican party objected to the appointment of a Regular Republican as Voters' Assistant, and did not allow the election to be held. A similar squabble occurred here at Georgetown which for a time threatened to be serious, but finally the disturbance was quelled, and by 9.40 o'clock the voting began, and from that hour everything moved along quietly and orderly. (From the "News and Advertiser," Milford.) "The Addicks Republicans have apparently suffered defeat in Kent by having their returns in several election districts thrown out by the Board of Canvassers. On the face of the returns the Union Republicans had a majority ranging from 200 to 300. The grounds on which the Democratic members of the Board refuse to certify to the returns is that the election in the districts thrown out was not legally held. This is a deplorable condition of affairs, and a situation that might easily have been avoided if the Addicks managers had not become excited and desperate before and during the election. The Union Republicans had plenty of warning to the effect that the returns would be thrown out if they did not observe the law to the extent of holding a legal election. Democrats made no secret of their determination to this effect, and the Regular Republicans, being especially alarmed in reference to their electors, presented to the Addicks men the real situation and advised them to in no way jeopardize the election. "Those persons voted for on the Legislative ticket may take their cases before the Legislature for settlement and those candidates for the constitutional convention who were thrown out may appeal to the convention itself for an adjudication of their case; for those bodies are constituted the judges of the elect of their own members. But the only chance which the Union Republicans who claim to have been elected sheriff, coroner, county treasurer and members of the Levy Court have is to take their claims before the Superior Court of the State. The prospect that this court will reverse the decision of the Board of Canvassers is admitted to be forlorn. "The Union Republicans, when they become cool enough to recognize law and facts, will discover that they took a foolish risk in defying law when Democrats had all the officials to execute it, and were in a position to impose the greatest penalty for its nonobservance. "Some incidental Democrats are angry with Governor Watson. They claim that he might easily have saved Kent county from Addicks. They showed him how it might be done, but he declined to do anything against Addicks. The Governor was constant. He combined with Addicks May

9, 1895, and has not receded from the position he then took.

There were enough Regular Republicans in Sussex county on Tuesday last to defeat Addicks, to elect five of their own number to the constitutional convention, to elect the Sheriff and three members of the Levy Court. This is a great stand against ten thousands of boodles."

VOTE IN KENT COUNTY.

The following is the summary of the vote for Kent county. In the one column are shown the returns with the Republican districts shown out thus giving a majority to the Democrats; in the other are given the full returns for the county showing the Republicans elected by majorities from 200 to 400: FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS.

Dem. Reg.	Rep. Reg.
2047 John H. Rodney d	3187
2039 John Harrington d	3149
2039 Paynter Frame d	3147
1824 James G. Shaw, Sr., u	3567
1820 Daniel M. Wilson u	3568
1823 Daniel J. Fooks u	3562
48 Levi A. Bertolotto h m d	88
60 Edward Ridgely h m d	89
47 Charles C. Stockley h m d	87
84 Henry M. Silver p	115
82 Jefferson Cooper p	114
81 William W. Vincent p	112

FOR GOVERNOR.

Dem. Reg.	Rep. Reg.
2007 Ebe. W. Tunnell d	3108
73 John C. Higgins r	152
1759 John H. Hoffecker u	3414
83 Daniel Green p	115
64 Lewis N. Slaughter s t	95

FOR CONGRESS.

Dem. Reg.	Rep. Reg.
2436 Levin Irving Handy d	3141
69 Robert G. Houston r	152
40 Thomas F. Bayard, Jr. h m d	79
1754 Jonathan S. Willis u	3424
86 William Faries p	117

FOR SENATOR.

Dem. Reg.	Rep. Reg.
2092 Samuel R. Meredith d	3259
88 John Heilshur p	168
1722 James Frank Allue r	3258
91 John Heyd p	125

FOR REPRESENTATIVES.

Dem. Reg.	Rep. Reg.
2014 Benjamin A. Hazell d	3156
2005 William B. Frazz d	3158
2015 Robert H. Wilson d	3160
2019 Leander S. Hopkins d	3163
2009 Charles M. Adams d	3162
2015 James A. Martin d	3153
2016 Joseph H. Hopkins d	3153
84 William P. Wright r	165
84 Harry Raymond r	167
84 Robert P. Moore r	170
84 Andrew W. Slaymaker r	171
84 Dr. Philip M. Money r	168
84 William T. Moore r	158
84 William H. Mason r	167
1731 Thomas C. Moore u	3350
1719 William H. Moore u	3345
1732 Morton E. Downes u	3358
1721 Luther S. Conwell u	3353
1723 George C. Hering u	3353
1730 Jacob B. Simmons u	3358
1731 George W. Marshall u	3353
92 Lewis M. Price p	126
91 Charles F. Harper p	125
91 Edward A. Evans p	125
91 John W. Hopkins p	125
92 Edward Sanbury p	126
94 Beniah Tharp p	128
89 James Jacobs p	121
89 Isaac D. Berry s t	100
89 Esley M. Rust s t	100
89 William H. Willis s t	100
89 Charles G. Kemble s t	100
89 Frank R. Roe s t	100
89 James L. Jump s t	100
89 James M. Sapp s t	100

FOR SHERIFF.

Dem. Reg.	Rep. Reg.
2023 William Virden d	3136
1825 Frank Beedy u	3579
87 John H. Outten r	115

FOR CORONER.

Dem. Reg.	Rep. Reg.
2022 William H. Beathards d	3187
1816 John M. Knight u	3536
92 Henry Burke s t	124

FOR COUNTY TREASURER.

Dem. Reg.	Rep. Reg.
2026 Joshua M. Arthurs d	3156
1815 Jabez Jenkins u	3548
89 William Denney p	123

FOR KEY COURT COMMISSIONERS.

Dem. Reg.	Rep. Reg.
2024 James T. Trux d	3159
2020 James A. Clifton d	3146
2026 Joseph A. Frear d	3167
2021 John C. Gruwell d	3155
2031 Walter L. Jones d	3158
1816 William D. Hudson u	3544
1816 Thomas C. Roe u	3551
1813 William R. Postles u	3534
1816 David Cooper u	3568
1825 James Wilber Powell u	3544
92 George M. Stevens p	126
92 James Keith p	126
90 William Frear p	113
92 Charles C. Case p	114
80 Evan Lewis p	112

FOR CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION.

Dem. Reg.	Rep. Reg.
2010 Wilson T. Cavender d	3150
2016 Charles G. Harmonson d	3199
2009 Daniel V. Hutchinson d	3141
2010 Richard B. Kenney d	3138
2016 William S. Laubley d	3167
2016 Edward F. O'Day d	3146
2014 Ezekiel W. Cooper d	3145
2013 John H. Schabinger d	3142
2015 Louder L. Sapp d	3135
81 Nathan Pratt d	3135
81 Samuel Catts r	164
81 Isaac M. Mills r	169
81 Malove Hayes r	169
81 Thomas N. Rawlins r	169
81 Henry L. Hissan r	161
81 John B. Cooper u	3589
1816 Abner K. Cole u	3505
1740 David S. Clark u	3577
1735 James P. Aron u	3571
1736 William T. Smithers u	3523
1729 Beniah Watson u	3572
1820 George H. Murray u	3543
1814 Paric T. Carleah, Jr., u	3534
1723 John H. Franklin u	3536
89 John W. Hering u	3389
89 Charles H. Register u	123
87 James R. Jarrell p	119
87 Matthew Foard p	119
87 William F. Collins p	121
87 Richard M. Cooper p	120
86 John Hutton p	129
87 Charles Fenn p	129

Washington ... Letter

AD it been possible for the voters to have seen one week before election the remarkable demonstration of the revival of public confidence which has come from every section of the country since the election of Maj. McKinley, there is no doubt that McKinley and Hobart's popular majority would have been a million greater than it is. Republicans had no doubt that apprehension caused by the fear of those who controlled money that all our standards of value might be upset had done more to paralyze business than any other one thing, and they so told the people from every stump and through the columns of every Republican paper. They convinced many, but the starting up of idle mills and manufacturing and the inauguration of great enterprises involving vast expenditures and the employment of all the unemployed who wish to be employed could have taken place before the election a million more would have been convinced and would have voted for real prosperity instead of for a chimera.

However, it was only by waiting until a restoration of Republican control, executive and legislative, was absolutely assured, that the great business interests of the country, the prosperity of which involves the prosperity of all our people, could show to the world the faith felt in the wisdom of the Republican party. The Republican who does not feel his heart swell with pride merely to belong to an organization which can inspire such faith must be cold-blooded indeed. The new columns of the press since the election of McKinley and Hobart was announced have, by just printing the cold facts about the actual, not prospective, revival in almost every part of the country and in almost every line of industry and business, paid the highest tribute of praise to the Republican party ever paid to any political organization in any country in the history of the world.

It is now for the Republicans to show to the world that this tribute was deserved. No one who is familiar with the life and record of President-elect McKinley and of those of the Republicans elected to the fifty-fifth Congress and those holding seats in the Senate can entertain a doubt on that subject. With President McKinley to suggest and Speaker Reed, the Republican majority in the House, and the hoped for Republican majority in the Senate, to execute, the legislation will be such as will expand and make permanent the business boom which started the hour the Republican success was assured, and which will, it is confidently believed continue to grow and grow until the country enjoys a long era of the greatest prosperity in its history. And one of the good things about it will be that the misguided popoerats who tried so hard to prevent Republican success will be equal sharers in the general prosperity. It ought to make them see things as they really are, instead of as they are represented by demagogues who try to trade upon "hard times" and public credulity.

That some appointments of importance will be tendered to gold Democrats for their assistance in the campaign is probable, but I have talked with no Republican who believe that they will include a cabinet position. The diplomatic service offers opportunities. A man has only to be a patriotic American to represent his country satisfactorily abroad, but a member of the Cabinet must be in sympathy with all the policies of the head of the administration under which he serves, or he disarranges machinery which ought to run smoothly to get the best results.

Senator Quay stopped in Washington long enough while on his way to Florida, where he will fish and rest until Congress meets, to express the opinion that there was a probability that the House Emergency Tariff Bill, passed at the last session and held up in the Senate by the refusal of some of the Republican Silver senators to support it unless a free coinage amendment was attached, might be taken up and passed at the coming session. Senator Quay did not enter into details—he seldom does—as to why he thought the bill might be passed. It is supposed that he thinks, as many others do, that the Republican Silver Senators, seeing the absolute impossibility of securing silver legislation, will vote for the bill which would, if enacted into a law, provide the government with revenue enough to make the receipts more than equal the expenditures. While Mr. Cleveland has never



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said that he would sign this bill, the impression is general that he would not veto it. So that if passed by the Senate, it is reasonably certain to become a law.

Senator Butler, the Populist Chairman, rather rubbed it on the Democrats when he issued an address to the country putting all the blame for defeat on them, and asserting that the populists will be the principal opponents of the Republicans in 1900. The address has made the Democrats hoping mad, but Butler thinks them of so little consequence now that he doesn't care.

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ELECTION RETURNS.

Never before in this State have efforts so far reaching been made to steal elections. In New Castle county the special objects were the seating of John T. Dickey over some other Democrat and the defeat of the Republican Sheriff and Receiver of Taxes. The method used was to change the figures in the returns. For instance in the Second Precinct in Middletown for sheriff Mr. Toman received 119 votes and Mr. Flinn 100. According to the figures given out by "Every Evening" these were read on Return Day 169 votes for Toman and 50 votes for Flinn a change of 100 votes though the totals were the same in each case, 219. By these methods Mr. Flinn's majority of 1169 was cut down to 182.

Fortunately Mr. Dickey had to wrong a Democrat to gain his object and thus his contest comes with the lines of the party in power. By the same methods of altering figures Mr. Dickey who by the unofficial figures was the lowest man on the Democratic legislative ticket was raised to the place of third highest and Mr. Woodward W. Chears of Delaware City though third from the lowest was counted out being made the lowest. Fortunately Mr. Chears knows his rights and is determined to have them. He will contest before the General Assembly and being a Democrat his party cannot turn him down as they could a Republican. Our readers will understand that one Democrat for the Legislature was defeated by Mr. J. Frank Eliason who received the votes of both the Republicans and the Union Republicans and his majority was so large that Mr. Dickey could not count him out. It is the duty of the Attorney General to prosecute every man guilty of fraud upon the ballot.

Upon our first page will be found the result of the returns made in Kent county. Upon one side is the Republican count giving all the votes cast in the county save that of West Dover hundred which the Inspector would not read and which being read would not change the totals. This shows the election of the whole Republican ticket. Upon the other side the Democratic count where returns from two precincts in Dover, one in Camden, one in Frederica, and two in Milford, were thrown out upon the slightest excuses, and thereby the Democrats are counted in by disfranchising half the county. This is an outrage upon the ballot that no people can afford to make. The use of money at the election is the excuse for this wrong. There is a law against bribery and it should be enforced but Delaware should abide by her elections. As matters stand everything is uncertain in Kent county. Governor Watson has issued no certificates of election, apparently being undecided as to his duty in the matter. There will be contests and cases in the courts. The Levy Court of Kent selected and swore in the Assessors for the several hundreds who upon the face of the returns were elected.

There will be a special session of the Supreme Court of Kent county at Dover on Thursday next calling upon the Inspectors to show cause why they should not count the vote as cast. It is believed that the frauds upon the ballot can be reached through the courts.

In Sussex there appears to have been a fair election, as elections go, and the Republicans being beaten there was a fair count. The Republicans elect the Sheriff and two members of the Levy Court who with the holding over members will constitute a majority. There has been talk of a contest in Sussex for the whole ticket and the setting up of a "rump" Legislature for the purpose of electing Mr. Addicks to the Senate. This is denied and it could not stand for a day before the U. S. Senate. Rumor also credits Mr. Willis with the intention of contesting Mr. Handy's election to Congress. Undoubtedly many Republicans were deprived of a ballot by methods so long in use in this State, but it would seem like a big undertaking to overcome Mr. Handy's majority. Such a contest would bring before the country, however, the peculiar political methods used in Delaware and some good might be done thereby.

Nor a citizen of Delaware but must regret that the election did not close the political campaign. The weeks and months of contest before the election were enough, and to have the matter continued in the way of contested elections is an affliction. In some communities feeling ran so high that business men were boycotted. This was not confined to party but faction against faction within parties. It is wrong and should be discouraged. Since the election was not allowed to decide, as it should, but there are to be contests over the offices this feeling of ill-will grows where it should have died naturally. The men who prolonged this matter are responsible for this condition but they care nothing for the peace and happiness of communities so they feed from the flesh pots. All good citizens should frown upon the boycott and if need be stand upon their opinions and they should have the privilege to express their opinions freely at the ballot box. That is free government. That is good government.

INTERESTING political matter is given on our first page. The article by Hon. Thomas B. Courney who in 1870 was the Republican candidate for Governor, merits the consideration of all. Readers who have suggestions to make as to the constitutional convention or upon legislation will find the columns of the TRANSCRIPT open.

RESPONSIBILITY FOR REPUBLICAN DEFEAT.

The Republican vote being divided at the recent election, the success of the Democratic State ticket was inevitable and it is not out of place at this time to say a few words as to the responsibility for this division.

Although many people would ascribe it solely to Mr. Addicks, who began the factional fight in the party by preventing the election of a Republican to the United States Senate two years ago, we are of the opinion that Messrs. Hoffecker and Willis, candidates for Governor and member of Congress respectively, on the Addicks ticket, are largely responsible also.

It was an open secret that every effort was made to induce a candidate on each side to withdraw so that all Republicans, irrespective of their opinions on the Addicks question, could come together and elect a governor and member of Congress. The regular Republican candidates, in that spirit of self-sacrifice which alone made the McKinley victory possible in Delaware, were willing to do anything, but the Addicks candidates would not withdraw. Mr. Willis openly admitted that his election was all as that of Mr. Hoffecker, was impossible and professed his willingness to retire if his associate on the Addicks ticket would join him. The last named gentleman, however, in the true spirit of his leader, put down his foot and practically said, "Hoffecker or nobody," which really meant Addicks or nobody.

The same sentiments seem to have animated Mr. Willis in Washington last winter. The only Republican in the Delaware Congressional delegation, he coolly stated at the Georgetown Convention that he was not sent to Washington for the purpose of rendering any assistance in the seating of Col. DuPont in the Senate.

Such in brief is the inside history of the campaign and it is well that Republican voters should know and understand that Messrs. Hoffecker and Willis coolly subordinated the welfare of the Republican party in this State to the personal interests of Mr. Addicks.

VIEWED BY NEIGHBORS.
The "Philadelphia Times" of Thursday looking at our Delaware politics gave its readers under the title of "The Middle in Delaware" the following: "Between the Higgins and the Addicks Republican factions, and the Union Republican faction, the middle of Delaware, they have gotten up a grand political muddle, and are all tangled up like a pile of eels. Legislative contests will be made in Kent and Sussex counties, and it is quite probable that there may be a rump Legislature organized by Addicks to elect himself United States Senator.

It will be remembered that the last Legislative session a long and bitter struggle, gave quiet election to Colonel DuPont, but the legality of his election as Senator was disputed. The whole issue turned on the right of the President of the Senate, then acting Governor of the State, to resume his seat in the Senate and vote for United States Senator. If that act was legal, there was no election, as the vote of the President of the Senate, then acting Governor, left DuPont in the minority, while if the acting Governor had no right to vote as a Senator, DuPont was legally elected.

The Senate during the last session refused to admit Colonel DuPont, but the case is not disposed of. The Senate could, at its meeting in December, admit Colonel DuPont and thus end the whole controversy, or it might delay the admission of DuPont, wait the appearance of the Senate to be elected by the coming Legislature, and then decide between them, or if unable to decide between them, the case might go over to the new Senate.

As long as the Senate has not admitted a Senator from Delaware, it is within the power of that body to admit any claimant it may prefer, as it is the sole judge of the election and qualification of its members. If during the coming session a Senator shall be admitted from Delaware, that would be conclusive, but if none shall be admitted during the coming session, the question would be taken up again de novo and admit either DuPont or any other claimant for the position. If there shall be a dual Legislature in Delaware, and any irregularity in the election of the new Senate, the chances are that the United States Senate would not admit any one during the coming session and, in that event DuPont would likely be admitted by the new Senate to meet on the 4th of March, 1897.

There is another complication in the Delaware election that is not serious as to present results, but might be serious as a precedent for the future. The name of one of the Republican Electors was improperly printed in a portion of the State by adding "Sr." to his name, while in other portions of the State the name was printed correctly. If the vote for this Elector shall be counted separately as if cast for two different men, the highest Republican Elector in the State would be elected, but it is claimed that as the evident intention of the voter was to vote for the same man, the vote should be counted and a certificate given to the Republican Elector whom the people of Delaware certainly believed they were electing.

There can be no doubt as to the intention of the voters to vote for the same man for Elector, and under the laws of Delaware the intention of the voter is a vital question in determining the legality of the vote, there can be no doubt of election of the entire Republican Electoral ticket. If, however, the laws of the State are mandatory as to the correctness of the ballot in all details, the vote would be divided for two different persons, and thus give Bryan one Electoral vote in the State.

Delaware has become one of the most demoralized States of the Union in her political contests, and her people are likely to see the climax of this demoralization and debauchery when the next Legislature shall meet. If in the wrangles of faction and corruptionists in politics the shame that has been cast upon the State during the last year shall be continued in the next Legislature, the Senate would rescue Delaware from herself by the prompt admission of Colonel DuPont as Senator from that State.

HERE'S THE OPPORTUNITY.
The political conditions in Delaware are such that if we are to have reforms they must come now. For years the State has been manipulated by the tax laws, and to these have been added the Australian Ballot Law and Registration as a means of disfranchisement, and now bribery which in a moderate form has been with us for years towers above all others to control the politics of the State. If public sentiment for

REFORMS THAT SHALL GIVE US HONEST ELECTIONS.

does not assert itself at the present time then is the State to be pitied indeed. These reforms will not come unless the people demand them and the public press should be a unit in its advocacy of the right and in condemnation of the wrong. To be righteously indignant over the outrages perpetrated by the opposite party and silently consenting to the crimes of one's own party is hypocrisy, and the indignation is wasted. The opportunity is present for a general condemnation of political wrongs and for a revision of our methods so that honesty and fair dealing shall have a show in the future. Will the newspapers of the State not arise to their high privilege? The TRANSCRIPT has no desire to assume a lone position, nor to point out the inconsistencies of co-temporaries, for it is a thankless task, but to get justice the editors of Delaware should unite for the right. Let justice be tempered with mercy for in politics as in life none are fully clear in both act and desire.

The charges and counter charges of fraud upon the ballot in every county in this State have suggested these thoughts, together with the sad fact that Republican papers are violent in their denunciation of the outrages committed by Democrats but are silent as to those of their own party, and with Democratic papers the reverse is the case. Is it not time to condemn the wrong for the good of the State? Perhaps the week of the election was too exciting to expect a non-partisan statement and we shall have them in the future. As a sample of the editorial bias we clip from two papers down the State. Our Democratic brother says:

"Considering the odds that were against them in the shape of money and riot and force, the Democracy of Delaware has cause to be proud of the signal victory gained last Tuesday. The foot of Delaware was placed on the neck of Addicks and Addickism in Delaware. The people decided that they will have none of the monster who thinks he can deal in the franchise of the people as in so much Bay State Gas stock.

Whether we belong to the class known in politics as the victors or the vanquished, we are heartily glad that the campaign of 1896 is a matter of history. Wherever there are those who are rejoicing under the laurels of victory, so must there be of necessity those who are silent under the willows of defeat. The campaign just closed has been the most exciting since the days of the late war. Delaware has not escaped her share of the blood and the den of turmoil. Addickism in its worst form reappeared at the polls last Tuesday. Not only his money was there but preconcerted violence in its most malignant form of open and boasted riot. From the accounts of the several voting places in Kent and Sussex we have every reason to believe that Addicks with his money and desperate lieutenants intended carrying the election in Kent and Sussex by methods unheard of in Delaware political history. Nearly every voting place in the two lower counties was besieged at the opening of the polls by a desperate, crazy, cursing mob who demanded that Addicks' voters' assistants should be appointed in opposition to the appointments of the election committees and contrary to law. And they attempted to carry their demands into execution by mob violence. In Dagoboro hundred they succeeded in breaking up the election. This was the only place they were successful. In Georgetown they succeeded in having a free riot but failed to break up the election as they intended. Such actions as the above should induce every decent man of whatever party to join Democracy in the common cause of restoring to the people the opportunity of a free exercise franchise. Addickism can no longer be tolerated in any form. It must be put down and driven out of our elections by the use of force and a disgrace to the State. Last Tuesday's election was not an expression of the people in any sense of the word. It was simply the expression of violence and corruption. It is known that in Sussex alone the Addicks furnished \$40,000 with which to corrupt the voters and it is a positive fact that he spent \$100,000 in the whole State. A shame and a reflection upon our manhood."

We may be prejudiced but it appears to us that the following from a Union Republican editor is less reasonable though the counting out of Kent county is the greater crime with which no "Higgins follower" had anything to do:

"Never before in the history of Delaware has such lawless and unbridled warfare been waged against the franchise of Republicans been attempted, as took place at Dover and Wilmington last Thursday. The plans of Higgins and his followers were carried out in a letter by their Democratic allies—and who, flushed with the fever of their anarchistic deeds lost all remembrance of the tools who aided them to victory and trampled down law without even citing authority of giving reasons. On the flimsy pretext of fraud not even backed by a single proof and against the arguments of such eminent counsel as Henry Ridgeway, the censoring board of Kent county refused to canvass or tabulate even one Republican hundred of that county—thereby changing the Republican majority of 480 to a Democratic majority of 198.

Thus with the aid of Higgins bolters the very principles of anarchism have been carried out in Delaware and a Democratic form of government has been thrown down. The howling half drunk mob ruled their ten stool pigeons without the least semblance of respect in Kent and made no claim that their acts were legal—just acted on the grounds expressed in the language of James L. Wolcott and John B. Pennington—"that extraordinary occasions must be met with extreme measures."

These latter men were ashamed to mingle with the mob, but while protesting that the course was not in accordance with law—yet they were in favor of carrying it through. Such are the men who have taken out of the support the laws of Delaware. Shame on them!"

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CURRENT EVENTS.

Wyoming and Nevada have less than one inhabitant to the square mile.

One of the public schools of Germany has made it obligatory for its pupils to learn to ride the bicycle.

The Archbishop of Canterbury has two palaces provided for him free of cost by the British nation.

A pinmaking machine turns out 8000 an hour, and some factories have as many as thirty or forty machines at work at one time.

The Horse Show in New York was the greatest event of the social world this week. Dame Fashion, however, had more show than the horse.

A blizzard in the northwest with heavy snow fall in Minnesota and North Dakota extending to Colorado and Iowa, was the weather report this week.

Eleven votes for McKinley from one family is the record of a Dubuque, Iowa, man, William White, his six sons and four grandsons all voting for sound money and protection.

There are more ants in the square mile in Florida than in any other country of the world. There are ants that will measure more than half an inch in length, and then there are ants so small that they can scarcely be seen to move with the unaided eye.

Mrs. Walter Castle, the wealthy San Francisco lady who was sentenced to three months imprisonment for shoplifting in London, was released from jail on Tuesday, her pardon having been secured largely through the personal influence of Ambassador Bayard.

The conductor of the Rome and Annis ton accommodation train, Alabama, kissed a pretty girl passenger while en route between the two cities, and the young lady sued the Railroad Company, and was awarded \$245 damages. But she'll never yet get that for another kiss.

Great Britain and Venezuela will settle the dispute over their division line amicably, England agreeing to treat the South American Republic as she would an individual, according to the rule of American diplomacy, so that the Venezuelan question is now practically settled.

The women who fought so well for the right of suffrage in California as shown by the result of their contest are clamoring for a virtual victory because of the great vote polled. Incomplete returns from all counties show that the suffrage amendment received in round numbers 80,000 votes, while 95,000 were cast against it.

The U. S. Government has just purchased the house in Washington in which Abraham Lincoln died, Congress having appropriated \$30,000 for that purpose. The house stands nearly opposite the old Ford Theatre and it was there the President was carried after the assassination. The house has been recently occupied by the Lincoln Memorial Association as a museum of Lincoln relics and the purchase was made to perpetuate this museum.

How it Works in Colorado.
A correspondent of the New York Journal writes an interesting description of the scenes at the polls in Denver on election day, where the women were voting and women running for office, says the Baltimore Sun. The picture is not altogether attractive. Of the women whom he interviewed a great majority confessed that female suffrage is a failure. Many said they had voted this election as a matter of sentiment, but they would never vote again. One working woman declared that after voting that day she was out of politics forever. She objected to being run for and taken from her work by people who wanted her vote. The criminal class of women, according to this correspondent, voted solidly for the party in power, fearing the police. Other women divided their votes, just as men do, and for the same reasons. Many voted with their husbands. Everywhere they were treated with respect and deference at the polls. The following conversation is interesting:

"I turned to the woman who had not spoken. 'Of course,' I said, 'the great advantage of suffrage is that it purifies politics.' These words seemed to excite her. She said she was a few seconds there the women who had not spoken said: 'The great advantage of suffrage is that it teaches women that we are not one bit better than men. We're set up for years and told have men how corrupt their politics were, and men have smiled up at us and told us how superior we are and how we would have suffrage. We've had a large and enthusiastic surprise party; we women have found out that our politics are just as corrupt as men's politics and they're just a little trickier. We've been at it two years, and we're scheming and making combinations and doing all the very things we've been finding fault with men for doing these years. The women of the better classes are getting disgusted and drawing out of politics just as our men have done, and the women of the other classes have become enthusiastic and have gone into politics just as their mankind have. Suffrage has certainly one great advantage. It has taken the conceit out of women."

To our correspondents.
To put two columns of matter in one column of space is often the difficult task that confronts the TRANSCRIPT on Friday mornings, and if our regular correspondents would send in their weekly news letters on Thursday afternoon instead of Friday morning, much of the difficulty would be obviated, and we would be spared the very delicate task of "cutting" our correspondents and their themselves would be spared the trial of having their contributions mutilated by the ruthless hand of the editor, who is so discriminating and mercenary as to give space to advertiser who comes late instead of the correspondent whose letter might have come earlier. We want the news, all the news and the latest news especially, but we are convinced that our weekly letters could, for the most part, reach us a day earlier, and if there are any items of interest a day later, send them on a Saturday or Sunday. The advertisement is the very life of a newspaper, and we cannot afford to neglect our advertisers even for the best of correspondents. We sympathize with the latter in their chagrin and dismay at seeing, what to them was the best part of their contributions, left out, and the surgeons knife is not used with greater reluctance than the editor's blue pencil upon certain letters that are among the weekly contributions to the TRANSCRIPT's budget of news. To all such we say come earlier, and you'll fare better, but if you can't come early, come any how, but don't send if you "cut" you.

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MY MARYLAND.

There are several cases of diphtheria in Elkton and vicinity, but the disease is by no means epidemic.

An Elkton Druggist has introduced an attraction for the thirsty in the shape of a fountain from which he dispenses hot coffee, chocolate, beef tea, clam bouillon and other tempting cold weather drink.

Mr. John E. Morris, on Mr. Samuel Van-nort's farm, shelled with Mr. Walter Sparks' sheller between sunrise and 3.30 p. m. on Tuesday last, 2200 bushels of corn and hauled the same to Beck's wharf before sundown. Who can beat it?—Chester-town Transcript.

Trinity Protestant Episcopal Church of Elkton, which was destroyed by fire last January, has been rebuilt and was consecrated on Tuesday with impressive ceremonies. The church is similar to the one destroyed and is one of the most beautiful on the peninsula.

Richard Coleman, of Royal Oak, Talbot county, has taken out an oyster tonging license. He is 87 years old, and is said to be the oldest active oysterman in the State. The oldest licensed tonger in Kent is Mr. Kinsey E. Thomas, of Cliff City who is 79 years of age.—Chester-town Transcript.

The threatened epidemic of Diphtheria is now under control in St. Michaels and the few cases are improving rapidly under the care of the skilled physicians. The colored schools were also closed last week and no services were held in the Methodist churches on Sunday week.

The stable of Charles W. Baker at Aberdeen was entered Monday night and a pair of horses stolen, together with several sets of harness, robes, and blankets. A horse and buggy belonging to Samuel Preston was also stolen, the thief unloading it from the fence in front of a residence near Aberdeen, where Mr. Preston was spending the evening. No clue has been discovered by which the thieves can be traced.

There are many persons, even yet, in Talbot county, who believe that Bryan has been elected to the Presidency, because a woman fortune-teller says so. About two months ago she planted two beans. She went through the necessary incantations on such performances. One of the beans was named McKinley and the other Bryan. They were tended carefully, and the fortune-teller declared that whichever came first represented the successful Presidential candidate. A day or two before election both beans came to the surface, the Bryan bean outstripping the other three hours and twenty-six minutes. Therefore she declared Bryan would be elected by a small majority.

Thanksgiving Proclamation.

STATE OF DELAWARE,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
For many years it has been the custom of the people of the United States to set apart one day in each year as a special day for rendering thanks to our Heavenly Father for all his mercies, and it is meet that we should continue the custom. During the past year we have received renewed blessings. While in other lands there has been war and rumors of war, we have enjoyed peace and stability, and our government which has been and is, in the past, worthy to render the most faithful and able service, we have unshaken confidence. Though sorrow and bereavement have befallen our lives have been spared, and the people of this State have been especially blessed with abundant crops and immunity from destructive fire and wind, earthquake and flood.

Therefore, I, William T. Watson, Governor of the State of Delaware, in accordance with the proclamation issued by the President of the United States, do call upon all good citizens to assemble in their respective places of worship, to render thanks for the abundant mercies of our Heavenly Father, and to ask for a continuance of the same.

I recommend also that those who have abundance of time and leisure, devote some of it to the service of the poor and the distressed, and to the relief of the suffering, and to the promotion of the good of the community.

WILLIAM T. WATSON,
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WANAMAKER'S

PHILADELPHIA, Monday, Nov. 9, 1896.

WOMEN'S COATS

There isn't such another stock of Women's Outerwear in this broad land. And we don't make one of the gar-



ments. The best commercial tailors in Europe and America contribute to the stocks. One maker would grow prosy in style—that's why we have all the best from the world at work for us. Choosing is hard—for there never were so many temptingly pretty coats to select from.

A price hint—

\$5—Rough Cheviot Coats—tailor back; high rolling collar; full sleeves; seams all bound.
\$6—Boucle-Astrakhan Coats—new reefer front; plaited back; high rolling collar; half lined with satin rhadame.
\$6.50—Walking Coats of Friesse—box reefer front; tailor back; seams all bound.
\$6.50—Tailor-made Walking Coats of Cover Cloth—in the newest, prettiest shades of tan; shield front; rolling collar, slashed and lined with velvet; coat fastens with inlaid velvet strap; half lined with satin rhadame.
\$10—Kersey Coats—new box front with buttons on fly; tailor back; inlaid velvet collar; lined with satin rhadame.
\$10.50—Walking Coats of Kersey—double-breasted; fly front; trimmed with imitation marten; storm collar, fur trimmed; garments half lined with satin rhadame.
\$12.50—Walking Coats of Black Kersey—newest fly front; 11 strap seams; 6 large pearl buttons; lined throughout with fancy silk.

WOMEN'S SHOES \$2.60

But not \$2.60 shoes. They're \$4 shoes, and worth it. They are yours at \$2.60 simply because the Philadelphia maker of them lost profits to keep running during a dull spell—giving us the shoes at less than last lot or next lot will cost.

Women's black Shoes of chrome-tanned kid skin, with oiled tanned soles. Hand-sewed welts.

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Coffee Pots—quart, 25c; 3-pint, 35c, and up to 8 quart at 80c.
Dish Pans—8 quart, 40c; 10 quart, 47c; 14 quart, 56c; 17 quart, 65c.
Butter Kettles, 50c, 60c and 67c.
Pie Plates, 8c, 9c, 11c.
Frying Pans, 1 1/2 quart at 18c; 2 quart at 15c and up to 10 quart at 30c.

Let these hints stand for the stock.

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Still Lower Prices!

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Of Interest

To Farmers

THE CREDIT OF FARMERS.

One advantage the man has lies

in his physical qualities. He can endure

more. He gives up the feeling that

he can be more relied upon. The type

writing woman was not at hand so regu-

larly. In this dry goods house busi-

ness had to be done daily. They paid

ten dollars a week for the certainty

of having some one always at hand.

Now, it cannot be gainsaid that men

are physically stronger, and that work

cannot be strong so long as they live

in contravention of nearly every law

of nature. But history says that the

Spartan women were strong and health-

ful, and Spartan typewriting woman

would doubtless have insisted on the

twenty-five dollars a week.

But reasoning about such physical

disability may be at fault. We all

know women who do the work of men

along with men. They are as regular

in their business habits as men. And

Our Woman's

....Column

HREE causes have

much to do with the price a woman

is offered for her work says Kate Stephens

in the North American Review.

First is the survival of old notions

about women's business incapacity. People do

not yet think straight and see clear.

Again competition is sharp among women.

Workers for money can work for less

than the one who must buy food and

shelter and clothes. Thirdly woman

can, or will, live on less than men.

That has much to do with withholding down

her wages.

The following example will serve to

illustrate other reasons: An editor em-

ployed the best typewriter in Boston.

She had been victorious in competitive

effort. Before she came to him she

had been employed in a wholesale dry-

goods house at \$15 a week. In her

place the firm took a young man, in

no wise a better typewriter, and paid

him \$25 a week. Now they would not

purposely waste \$10 a week. Why did

they think it economical to pay the

man more?

One advantage the man has lies in

his physical qualities. He can endure

more. He gives up the feeling that

more utterly impossible the combination

of color and effect, the flapper is

the possessor or creator.

HOME HINTS.

Lamp burners should be washed frequently

and occasionally boiled in a solution

of washing soda. Dust and

bricks accumulate upon them, and

unless they are thoroughly cleaned,

a good light is impossible.

Instead of keeping sugar, tea and

other groceries in the paper bags

in which they are sent from the

store put them at once in small wooden

boxes on large jars with tight fitting

covers. A great deal of strength will

be lost if the groceries are kept

carelessly in the paper bags, be-

cause the untidy appearance of the

pantry shelves, the inconvenience and

waste that is sure to be great in the

course of a year by the tearing of the

paper bags and the spilling of the con-

tents over the pantry shelves.

In giving medicine in liquid form to

an infant, place the point of the spoon

containing the medicine against the

roof of the mouth. Administering it

in this way it will be impossible for

the child to choke or reject the medicine.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that

contain Mercury.

Nervous

People often wonder why their nerves are

so weak; why they get tired so easily;

why they start at every slight but

sudden sound; why they do not sleep

naturally; why they have frequent

headaches, indigestion and nervous

Dyspepsia

The explanation is simple. It is found in

that impure blood which is continually

feeding the nerves upon refuse

instead of the elements of strength and

vigor. In such condition opiate and

nervine compounds simply deepen and

do not cure. Hood's Sarsaparilla feeds

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